

This article is in response to the article that was published in the issue 14 of **VOH**. Since we received many queries regarding the article, hence this piece is in response to that. We ask Allah almighty to help us in every small step that we take in his path. We ask Allah to grant us patience and may He enter us in Jannah.

Abdullah Ibn masud was asked by tabi'yon 'the second-best generation after sahaba, that who should we follow, he replied: follow those who are dead as their account has been closed and they won't fall into fitnah (Sunan Al bhaqawi). Remember! This is a sahabi replying to the tabi'yon that, they need to follow the sahabah who have passed away, then where do we stand in today's time of fitnah, of which our beloved Prophet, Imam of mujahideen warned us about,

The Messenger of Allah prophesied that there shall come a time when a man will sleep as a muslim and would wake up as kafir, or where he will wake up as Muslims and sleep as kafir. Thus, we need to be sure about who do we take our deen from or who do we follow.

Pertinently, it became quite apparent after the advent of khilafah; that many people who adore their sheikhs or leaders were led astray as they followed them blindly. The examples of jawlani or for that matter Zawahiri are there for every sincere Muslim to ponder upon. This, the personality worshipping led many people towards the misguid-

ance as they thought that their sheikhs can do no wrong; hence this has been our way that we don't follow personalities, we follow the methodology of our Prophet (PBUH) and his companions.

If fighting against India was the only condition of being upon the straight path then we must consider the proxy groups operating in Kashmir such as Lashkar Toiba, HM, TRF etc. doing jihad for the sake of Allah even knowing the fact that they are nothing but the lap dogs of the Pakistani agencies. People generally tend to consider the enemies of their enemies as friends because of the enmity that grows over the time and the emotions that are attached to the struggle.

Unfortunately, this misact is widespread among the Muslims of the subcontinent also, people here rally behind any person or organization that are anti Hindu in nature.

However, the Islamic State does not indulge in the timely benefits (Maslaaha) in which the religion itself is corrupted. Therefore, in order to safeguard the Aqeeda and Manhaj, the Islamic State does not acknowledge the personalities, groups and organizations until their foundations are known and their Aqeeda and Manhaj checked. Because, safeguarding religion takes precedence over attaining any timely benefits.

